

**Ex. I**

**Subject:** Board members, new board members, Rule 26(a)(1) materials  
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Ms. Hayes:

Your reply of November 28, 2007, comes at a bit of surprise.

First of all, you state that "you will not provide me with the names and proposed dates and locations of the Board Members you wish to depose." And yet I already made it clear that I wanted to depose all the board members in southern Illinois during the week of the January board meeting. And that is why I need to know the date of the January board meeting.

Regarding my query as to which board members you felt were too new to know anything, you neglected to reply. I will simply remind you that the Plaintiffs' initial disclosures listed 12 board members as witnesses, including the name of the new board member Larry Romrell. It is clear that your clients have no problem calling new board members to testify.

And certainly new board members Stan Smith and Garwin McNeilus are not less knowledgeable than Mr. Romrell. Mr. Smith is listed as a board member on 3ABN's Form 990 for 1998, the same year Danny Shelton bought a house from 3ABN for about \$6,100 and sold it a week later for \$135,000. And Mr. McNeilus is one who purportedly was involved in the surveillance of Linda Shelton in 2004.

Regarding the Plaintiffs' refusal to authorize the inspection or production of Rule 26(a)(1) materials, despite no motions being filed seeking protective orders for particular documents, and your unwillingness to further "discuss any details concerning copying of materials," I suppose the next step is to bring this matter to the attention of the court.

Lastly, perhaps you did not understand my final paragraph. (206) 203-3751 was my fax number long before Mr. Joy or I became aware of the scandals at 3ABN, and he uses my fax number at my permission, not vice versa.

Bob Pickle

P.S. It is a puzzle to me why the defendants have not received any "written demand for settlement" from the plaintiffs, even though the plaintiffs' Rule 26(f) Conference report said they would make such a written demand by August 31, 2007. Did I miss something?